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month of April was 12.9 per cent. CHARLES W. KNAPP. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 50th day of J. F. FARISH,

Notary Public, City of 3t. Louis, Mo. My term expires April 26, 1905

The St. Louis carrier force of The Republic deliver more than 53,000 copies every day. This is nearly four times as many as any other morning newspaper delivery in St. Louis and more than twice as many as any morning or evening

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MINORITY SENATORS.

the solid strength of their party in the State Senate is not under lobby influence. The single point they make is that nine Republicans and two Democrats-Orchard and Farris-do not make a majority; that wrong side if the lobby controls the Senate.

Even if there are other Democrats, how does that fact palliate the partnership of the whole Republican organization with the lobby? How does it lessen the offensiveness of the hardihood with which the Republican machine press of Missouri defends and advocates the Senators whose bad records cannot be honestly denied as a matter of history?

But the lobby does not control the Senate. It has been more influential than it should be, and its influence lies chiefly in its hold upon the solid Republican force in that body. Beside Farris and Orchard there may be other Democrats whose actions at one time or another have been open to criticism, but Orchard and Farris are the immediate subjects of discussion. The Republic will not hesitate to criticise and oppose any Democrat when the occasion seems to call for such treatment in the cause of party consistency and the State's good government. If the Republican papers are not inoculated through and through with the poison of lobby politics they will co-operate with this effort of The Republic to keep at home senatorial candidates whose presence in the Legislature would mean opposition to measures of

The most frequent use to which the lobby puts its legislative friends is obstruction. Nine Republican Senators with two or three Democrats can smother legislation by obstructive tactics of various wellknown kinds. Senatorial courtesy is as well established in State capitals as in Washington. The worst Senators as well as the best get committee places. The worst are usually better "traders" than the best. A compact minority can stop the progress of almost any measure upon which its opposition is centered. The Republican press cannot dodge behind the subterfuge of majority responsibility in a case like this. Either they will oppose the lobby or the Republican papers will be considered active supporters of the lobby. Up to this time they occupy the latter position in public estimation.

IMPARTIAL JUSTICE DEMANDED. An unprejudiced and impartial consideration will undoubtedly be devoted to the answer filed by the attorneys of the Northern Securities Company in the suit brought by United States Attorney General Knox to enjoin the so-called merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways.

In this official answer the Northern Securities Company is described as "an enterprise in aid of a great competitive interstate and international commerce," and this presentment of the corporation's reason for being will doubtless constitute the keynote of the defense. Along such lines the suit now to be tried

promises to be unusually significant. The people of the Northwest believe that the aland calamitous to general shippers and farmers, at that point. They fear that the sole beneficiaries will be the rail-! way monopoly itself and a few big shippers who will veloped a strong popular demand for the prevention

of the merger. The present sult is the result of this demand.

The case should be so pressed that the full facts on both sides shall be developed. The defendants must have no just cause to feel that public clamor has been sufficient to prevent a fair hearing of their side of the case. There would seem to be little danger of this when it is remembered how ably they are represented in the hearing and how strong is the influence which they can bring to bear in their favor.

Speaking in all frankness, the people's side of the case is much more likely to lack proper consideration unless an unusual aggressiveness is manifested by the Attorney General and his associates. Even-handed justice, however, is expected as the final outcome of the great case now opened. The general public is fully aroused to the importance of the hearing, and the conduct of the case will be watched with a close attention due to intimate understanding of the interests involved and the influences figuring to affect the ultimate result.

IN THE TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

Senator Farris was renominated at Cuba yesterday. Whatever his faults, he is a young man of the machine with uncompromising combativeness. Having assembled his convention by such methods he was not the person to let the delegates hesitate, though most of them would gladly have set him aside.

Unfortunately, there was no Democrat in the district both able and willing to devote to the defeat of Farris the activity, courage and address with which public health during hot weather. he pressed his own interests. Nine-tenths of the Democratic voters in the district were against him, but he won a personal victory in the convention.

His success under the circumstances does not end the contest. The qualities displayed in controlling the convention mark him as a dangerous man. In difference to opposition, indefatigible zeal and acute perception of chances are in a good man useful to the public. When not animated by public spirit they give to a legislator immense power for evil. In St. Louis we have seen just such qualities send men to the Municipal Assembly to wreak havoc upon the public welfare. Does the Twenty-fourth Senatorial District propose to strengthen the selfish interests at Jefferson City with an ally who has shown capacity for ascendency and an utter contempt for popular opin-

The Republic has said that if the convention could not muster courage to send Farris back to the people at a primary an independent Democrat should come forward in order that the party voters might not be compelled to choose between an unworthy Democrat and a Republican. That course is still open and is the only one left which will give the voters what they have it in their hearts and minds to demand.

Farris should not be allowed to return to Jeffer son City, where he will embarrass the party and serve nobody but himself. If the Democrats of the district are sincere in their opposition to the lobbyand they are sincere-it is incumbent upon them to show that they cannot be yoked and driven by a coldblooded, inexorable use of political machinery.

FOR A PURE MILK SUPPLY.

In the opinion of the local Board of Health there seems to be a necessity for an investigation of the method of conducting the work of milk inspection in this city and the attention of Mayor Wells has been called to the matter by the board's official action.

Undoubtedly the Mayor will recognize the importance of acting upon the board's recommendation. A proper regard for the public health demands that every precaution be taken to insure a pure milk sup- an amendment should be vigorously prosecuted. ply. The only effective guarantee of a pure milk supply in a great city is a system of rigid inspection Dairymen must be brought to realize that impure and adulterated milk cannot be delivered to consumers. They must deliver milk according to samples that have stood the test of searching and conscientious analysis.

As a matter of course, the community's protection Republican machine organs do not contend that from the health-peril of impure milk depends upon the faithfulness and ability of the City Milk Inspector and the thoroughness with which he discharges his duty. The Board of Health must insist that this duty is satisfactorily performed. Mayor Wells may safely there must be a number of other Democrats on the be depended upon to order the investigation which the board has requested with this end in view.

BRET HARTE AND THE ARGONAUTS.

With the death of Bret Harte a typical figure of peculiar vitality and of exceeding picturesqueness disappears from the ranks of living American writers of fiction whose work is so distinctly native as to possess a historical as well as a literary value because of illumining certain periods of American development and of preserving certain types of American character.

The author of "The Luck of Roaring Camp" and "The Outcasts of Poker Flat" stands as essentially for the California of '49, for the brave days of the American Argonauts, as any red-shirted miner who toiled with pick and shovel in the gold fields of this continent's western verge. He was supremely the chronicler and the singer of those days, his chronicles being spiritually more veracious, perhaps, because of their fictional form, and his songs keenly alive with the very life of the new and strange country in which they were first lifted.

Granting that there was a certain exaggeration of types and incidents in Bret Harte's stories and poems, it may yet be fairly contended that these broad strokes were genuinely necessary to carry the atmosphere of the veritable California of his times. He had new figures and almost purely original happenings to impress upon the minds of his readers. The soundest artistry demanded that his handling of his material be bold and emphatic. The heroic touch was inevitable to the first poet and story-teller of the Argonaut band. Bret Harte could no more have refrained from such methods, being an artist, than he could have refrained from appreciating the color and breeziness and recklessness of the primitive society of which he was a part.

Happily for American literature, this unique product of the Argonaut period, whose fame properly rests upon his earlier achievement while still a resident of California, brought to the performance of his appointed task a high fitness due to training and inheritance. Born of scholarly folk, himself receiving an excellent education, the wild irrepiration of his Western mining-camp life found Bret Harte amply equipped for its fullest expression. The result has been, in his best work, a combination of original force, of whit may be called atmospheric impulse and of academic culture, which produced a literary style of satisfying beauty and charm. Much of Bret Harte's work will die with him, but that which survives will give him an enviable station in American

RAILROAD VANDALISM.

Owners of property in the West End residence section adjacent to the land sald to have been purleged merger contains a menace of railroad monopoly chased by the Rock Island are justified in preparing which will be tremendously injurious to their section to contest any project for establishing railroad yards

Not only they but the people generally would suffer from such a use of the land. It would be a against a candidate it is natural that he will work against be favored by the combine at the expense of less calamity for the north front of Forest Park to be powerful pations. For these reasons there has de- rendered wholly unattractive for residence purposes. With all its boasted beauty of surrounding country

factories threaten in almost every direction. The region north of Forest Park has attracted a large number of persons who have invested their money in constructing homes. The section has been rapidly becoming one of the features in which St. Louis could take special pride. Destroy its desirability and the city loses in both beauty and material wealth.

Converting the charm of the Forest Park neighborhood into a smoky, noisy, dangerous railroad yard would be sheer vandalism. Much as St. Louis would like to see the entrance of a great railroad system the display, therefore, always assumes sigsacrifice of the park territory would be too much of a nificant proportions; and yesterday was price.

If there is anything in the law or anything in ne gotiation which will avert the contemplated invasion the property owners have every reasonable incentive to use the means with all energy. Preserve the Forest Park country from the coarser commercial uses if possible.

MAKE A CLEAN SUMMER CITY.

Chief of Police Kiely's order to the Captains of the various police districts, instructing them to exercise energy, determination and political skill. He used the greatest vigilance for the abatement of nuisances that tend to prevent municipal cleanliness, is timely and in the strict line of duty.

The approach of summer makes it imperatively necessary that every precaution be taken to avert the creation of unsanitary conditions. Unclean streets and alleys constitute one of the greatest perils to the

Many persons are disposed to be careless and indifferent in complying with the regulations for municipal cleanliness. The police can do much to secure a fuller obedience.

This is the intent of Chief Kiely's recent order to his Captains, and it now becomes the first duty of the latter to see that their Sergeants and patrolmen fully enforce the Chief's order.

St. Louis must be made clean and kept clean. The part of the police force in this achievement is necessarily an important factor for success.

Outside comment on the postponement of the St. Louis World's Fair until 1904 is of a nature proving that the wisdom of such action is clearly recognized. The truth is appreciated that postponement insures a European representation of surpassing extent and excellence, and that it means as well a far more complete and satisfying American participation. The inevitable result of this general sentiment of satisfaction will be an increased interest in the World's Fair and the development of a widespread spirit of enthusiasm which will prove a powerful factor for success. Europeans now know that their Governments are preparing the biggest and best exhibits ever offered for international inspection. Americans know that the St. Louis World's Fair will be the most comprehensive international exposition ever held. The attention devoted to the World's Fair from now on will be of the most satisfying nature.

The late Archbishop Corrigan of New York was of the best type of churchmen, a scholar of profound attainments, an executive of rare ability, a Christian of the sincerest conviction. His death leaves a vacancy in the American hierarchy which will not be

An amendment of the extradition laws which would include bribery among extraditable offenses and thereby lead to the return of fugitive Kratz to St. Louis is earnestly to be desired. The movement for such

RECENT COMMENT.

St. Louis Show Postponed a Year. leveland Plain Dealer.

The postponement of the St. Louis Exposition until 1904 has finally been decided upon and the necessary steps toward the sanctioning of the postponement by Congress were taken yesterday. To open the St. Louis year would be to insure its utter failure. The grounds and buildings could not be in proper condition by next April and in any case there would be but a beggarly array of exhibits. So far as representation of foreign countries are concerned, there is indisputable evidence that this part of the show would be a ghastly failure if the original date was adhered to. Practically no preparations have been making to send exhibits of any consequence from the principal European countries.

With another year added in which to work up interest in the Exposition and make preparations for fitting representation, there is greater hope of extensive contributions from over sea. There will be a chance also for domestic industries to spare a little time from the work of filling urgent orders that good advertising exhibits may be prepared. The Exposition-going public will have had opportunity to rest and get ready for another course of instruction in exhibition buildings and relaxation in the midway. The postponement will be money in the pocket of St. Louis. It will be money needed at the final balance ing of accounts.

St. Louis Exposition.

Nashville Banner. The opening of the St. Louis World's Fair will be postponed until 1904. President Francis has telegraphed the National Commission that a change of the date as indicated in the sundry civil bill to be passed by th Senate to-morrow would be acceptable, to the Exposition directory. This change is clearly advisable and is not unexpected, as it had become generally understood that' the Exposition could not be established on the scale contemplated if the original date for the opening were adered to. Some objection has been made to having the Exposition in a presidential election year, on the ground that the general political excitement and the interest in congressional elections would keep a great many people away from the show, but there are reasons to believe that it is better for the enterprise to have the postpone ment for only one year than to incur the risks of a more

The World Is Brighter Than Before.

Frenton (III.) Sun. There is no better antidote for despondency than to take a measure of our own community as it was ten years ago and as it is to-day-unless you live in an unrepresentative and stagnant community, says an change. You will find the roads better than they were: the rairoad service better; possibly even the telephone and the telegraph service; you will observe better houses, more attractive grounds; the people are better clad. Inside their houses you will find more books or better, more bathrooms, better light and better furniture. A larger proportion of children, and the youth are receiving good training at better schools. All this means more than prosperous years. The well-being of the people of the United States is rising higher and especially is it diffusing itself wider. Life is constantly becoming more comfortable and more cheerful as well as longer and safer-leading to better conditions for intellectual growth and social development.

Peril of Personal Illustration.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. In a recent speech Senator Carmack said that General Funston was the greatest Captain who ever wielded the whone of an ass. This reminds Representative Curtis of Kansas of a story.

"What did Samson slay his enmies with?" asked school teacher of his class. "What is this?" inquired the teacher, touching the side

"The jawbone of an ass," was the prompt reply.

Gambling Makes Voting.

The County Democratic Central Committee is to be congratulated upon its resolve to squeich election gambling, if possible, in the future. These bets have more to do with the losing or gaining of votes of certain candidates than any other cause. him, too, thi he may be more apt to win his wager, and for no other reason. This does an injustice to those parties wagered against. If it is possible all betting on election results should be squelched.

St. Louis has few spots left within convenient distance for good city residence purposes. Railroads or MORNING CHORAL CLUB CONCERT DELIGHTS A LARGE AUDIENCE.

The Morning Choral Club gave the second concert of its eleventh season yesterday morning at the Odeon, singing before an audience of fashion that packed the house. This annual morning music-making of the Choral is the only concert of any importance in St. Louis where the wearing of hats has become a custom. The millinery rather above the average in point of attractiveness. From a viewpoint in one of



MRS. JAMES LAWRENCE BLAIR. the side wings, the Odeon never looked more decorative and decorated. The club. dressed in white and very light tints of blue, pink, yellow and other spring-time colors, filled the stage in semicircle fashion; the footlights concealed by rows of bright-colored plants and greens. In front sat the soloists, Mrs. Clara Henly Bussing of Chicago and Miss Rosalle Wirthlin of St. Louis. Mrs. Lillian Apel Emery, planiste, was first on the programme. She had been heard in St. Louis but few times, and yes-terday was, therefore, a new personality to

the majority of her hearers. Mrs. Emery played two piano numbers, a Romanza by Gruenfeld, and a Neapolitan Tarantelia by Leschetizky, with whom she studied for everal years. Her style is excellent and her command of the instrument convincing. The Tarantella was especially pleasing. Mrs. Bussing followed by a gay Strauss waltz song, for soprano, and then came the Morning Choral's pretentious effort, a can-

tata, entitled "Queen of the Sea," by Hum-mel. The solo parts of "Sea King" and "Agneta" were taken by Miss Wirthlin and



MRS. LILLIAN APEL EMERY.

Mrs. Bussing, while the club sang several

There is a much better balance of voices obtained in the club this spring that at any time in its previous history, which extends over eleven years. The voices blend better, and the parts are much more equalized than ever before. Eighty-three women sang yesterday; and their technical work calls for highest commendation. Phrasing, shading, attack, and volume were all there; under Director Kroeger's keen eye and efficient baton. The popular Apollo Club has a serious competitor for first honors of the city; in the Morning Choral. The conscientious hard study which this club has put into the resent concert presentations has proits recent concert presentations has

ear alike of musician and layman.

The cantata was followed by Sullivan's "Lost Chord," sung as a four-part chorus, with Mrs. James L. Blair, president of the Morning Cherai, on the conductor's plat-form. Mr. Kroeger at the organ and Mrs. Scheetz, at the piano. The chorai was aug-umented by Mrs. Blair's sight-reading class of 39 young women who sat in the balcony, led by Mr. Gear, and whose voices swelled the volume of the last inspiring verse in a manner that will not soon be forgotten by the audience. The programme announced the audience. The programme announced that this class would assist; but its whereabouts was a mystery until the "Grand Amen" had risen and swelled to a mignificent climax, fairly flooding the Odeon and rousing the audience to a high pitch of en-

This concert concluded the Morning Choral's work for the season. The club is officered by the following ladies: President, Mrs. James L. Blair; first vice president, Mrs. Halsey C. Ives; second vice president, Mrs. Douglas A. Phillips; secretary, Alles Grace Taussig; treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Hardaway; librarian, Mrs. Andrew J. Knapp; directors, Mrs. William C. Little, Mrs. w. S. Swingley and Mrs. John E. Thomson, Examining Committee, Mrs. Benton H. Foilock; Finance Committee, Mrs. Cornelius H.
Patton; conductor, Mr. Ernest K. Kroeger;
accompanist, Miss Scheetz.

The personnel of the ciub is as follows:

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HAPPENINGS IN SOCIETY

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Mrs J. A. Hlx,
Mrs J. A. Hlx,
Mrs Hardsey C. Ives,
Mrs Andrew J. Knapp.
Mrs Rosalle Wirthlin.

AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Louis Werner, D. Abeles, C. G. Knox, Henry C. Scott, B. J. Taussig, William Taussig, Louis Chauvenet, Union Musical Club of St. Louis, John Schroers, Julius C. Elree,

Mrs. H. Fitchinberg of New Orleans, who has been visiting her sister, Miss Bonito, No. 5129 Page boulevard, has gone to Chicago, where she expects to live. visit in St. Louis she was much entertained. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Miss Emma Burgund, who has been visit-ing her sister, Mrs. F. T. Kuehne, No. 2912 Eads avenue, departed yesterday morning for Cincinnati.

Miss Adelaide Thompson of Jefferson City is spending this week with Miss Lou Car-ter, No. 524 Pendleton avenue. Senor Ascorne y Gayosso of the City of Mexico is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James

Ghio at their country place, "Tranquilla, Mrs. Frederic Goodwin of New York is

visiting friends at Hotel Beers.

Miss Anne Shannon Evans will be grad and Dramatic Art on Friday evening, May 9, giving a recital to friends in the Y. M. C. Recital Hall; Miss Lillian Williams on Monday evening, May 12, and Miss Martha

Crop Outlook Is Bright.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Shelbyville, Mo., May 5.—One and one-half Inches of rain fell in this city and throughout Shelby County last night and this morning. All vegetation is flourish-ing, and crop cenditions were never more favorable than now. About all the corn is planted, and much of it up and growing rapidly. Wheat, oats and grass look very nice and romise a large yield.

TWO OF BRET HARTE'S POEMS

Written in the Language of the Western People, Among Whom He Lived Many Years.

THE SOCIETY UPON THE STANISLAUS. I reside at Table Mountain, and my name is Truthful James; I am not up to small deceit or any sinful games; And I'li tell in simple language what I know That broke up our society upon the Stanislow.

But first I would remark that it is not a proper plan
For any scientific gent to whale his fellow-man.
And if a member don't agree with his peculiar
whim To lay for that same member for to "put a head

Now nothing could be finer or more beautiful to Than the first six months' proceedings of that same society, Till Brown of Calaveras brought a lot of fossil found within a tunnel near the tenemen That he

Then Brown he read a paper, and he reconstructed there.

From those same bones, an animal that was extremely rare: And Jones then asked the Chair for a suspension Till he could prove that those same bones wa

Then Brown he smiled a bitter smile, and said h It seemed he had been trespassing on Jones's family vault; He was a most sarcastic man, this quiet Mr.

New I hold it is not decent for a scientific gent To say another is an ass-at least, to all intent; Nor should the individual who happens to be Reply by heaving rocks at him to any great ex

Then Abner Dean of Angel's raised a point of unk of old red sandstone took him in the abdomen.

And he smiled a kind of sickly smile and curled up on the floor. And the subsequent proceedings interested him n

of Thompson in.

For I live at Table Mountain and my name And I've told in simple language what I know CHIQUITA.

Beautiful! Sir, you may say so. Thar isn't her Beautiful: Sir, you may say so. Thar isn't nor match in the country.

Is thar, old gal-Chiquita, my darling, my beauty?

Feel of that neck, sir-thar's velvet! Whoa! Steady-ah, will you, you vixon!

Whoa! I say, Jack, trot her out; let the gen-tlemen look at her paces.

Morgan! She ain't nothin' else, and I've got the Morgan: She ain't nothin else, and I've got the papers to prove it.

Sired by Chippewa Chief, and twelve hundred dollars won't buy her.

Briggs of Tuolumne owned her. Did you know Briggs of Tuolumne?—

Busted his'elf in White Pine, and blew out his

Hedn't no savey-hed Briggs. Thar, Jack! that'll de-quit that foolin'!

Nothin' to what she kin do, when she's got her work cut out before her.

Hosses is hosses, you know, and likewise, too, jockeys is jockeys;
And 'tain't ev'ry man as can ride as knows what a hoss has got in him.

Know the old ford on the Fork, that nearly got Flanigan's leaders?
Nasty in daylight, you bet, and a mighty rough
ford in low water?
Well, it sin't six weeks ago that me and the Jedge and his never Struck for that ford in the night, in the rain, and the water all round us.

Up to our flanks in the guich, and Rattlesnake Creek just a bilin'. Not a plank left in the dam, and nary a bridge the river. I had the gray and the Jedge had his roan, and his nevey, Chiquita:
And after us trundled the rocks jest loosed from
the top of the canon.

Lickity, lickity, switch, we came to the ford and Chiquita

Buckled right down to her work, and after I could yell to her rider. water jest at the ford, and there was the Jedge and me standing, And twelve hundred dollars of hoss-desh affoat, and a driftin' to thunder!

Would ye b'lieve it? That night that hoss, that would ye b'lieve it? That night that hoss, that 'ar filly, Chiquita, Walked herself into her stall, and stood there, all quiet and dripping; Clean as a beaver or rat, with nary a buckle of harness, Just as she swam the Fork-that hose, that ar filly, Chiquita.

That's what I call a hoss' and-what did you say?-Oh, the nevey?
Drowned, I reckon-leastways, he never kem back nen, ye know, boys will be boys, and

CHORAL-SYMPHONY FUND INCREASES.

Amount Contributed Now Is \$12,800-The Republic to Receive Subscriptions.

Subscription lists for a guarantee fund for recent concert presentations has pro-the Choral-Symphony Society are in circu-ed results that astonish and delight the is \$12,800. The canvass will be closed at the end of this week. A decision as to whether the society shalf be continued cannot be further delayed longer than that time. The men who are circulating the lists will

not be able to get around to see every one

personally and subscriptions will be received by The Republic. Signers of these subscription lists will elect a new Board of Directors and decide also what shall be the number and class of concerts.

It has already been suggested that the number be cut to six and a series of enter-tainments at popular prices be given. It has also been suggested that one-half the seating capacity of the Odeon for each concert be given to signers of the guarantee fund for distribution in order to broaden

the interest. All who have subscription lists should turn them in to Mr. Milton Griffith or The Republic not later than Saturday night,

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OBITUARY.

CUMMINGS FUNERAL IN NEW YORK. More Than 5,000 Persons Honor Dead Congressman.

New York, May 6 .- More than 5,000 persons attended the funeral of Amos J. Cummines. Representative in Congress from the Tenth New York District, this morning. Doctor W. S. Crow of the Universalist Church of the Heavenly Rest was the officlating minister.

At 1 o'clock the journey to Clinton Cemetery, Irvington, N. J., began. The burial was attended only by the family and a few

was attended only by the family and a few close personal friends,
Honorary pallbearers were Lewis Nixon,
Chester S. Lord, Frederick S. Gibbs, Joseph Howard, Jr., John C. Sheehan, Arthur J. Williams, Willis Holly, Judge Leonard
A. Glegerich and E. B. Frost.
Mrs. Cummings, the widow, attended the funeral. The only relative present was Charles S. Cummings, a cousin, of Plymouth, N. H. The floral offerings were numerous.

MRS. W. H. H. SIMPSON.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Greenville, Ill., May 6.—Mrs. W. H. H. Simpson is dead at her home, four miles north of this city. The remains will be taken to Washburn, Ill., her former home, for burial. A brief funeral service was held at the family residence by the Reverend Wilson T. Hogue, president of Greenvills College.

MRS. 10SEPH KINSEY. MRS. JOSEPH KINSEY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pana, Iil., May 6.—Mrs. Joseph Kinsey, agei 29 years, died in this city to-day of MRS. TURNER MCBANE.
Columbia, Mo., May 6.—Mrs. Turner McBane, wife of the well-known cattle king and banker of this city, died at Parker Memorial Hospital this morning.

JOHN W. GARRETT. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Vienna, Ill., May 6.-John W. Garrett, a prominent farmer of this county, died this norning of pheumonta A. W. COMBS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Clarence, Mo., May 6.—A. W. Combs, cashier of the Shelby County State Bank of this city, and one of the business leaders of the community, died of pneumonia at his home last night. home last night.

Mr. Combs was 40 years of age, and had been connected with the leading business institutions of the county.

WHAYNE TURNER. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Paducah, Ky., May 5.—Whayne Turner, a clerk on the local wharfboats for several years, died last night after an illness of four months' duration. He was 5 years old and well liked by all who knew him.

MRS. MARGARET UEBELHER. MARGARET UEBELHER.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL
Evansville, Ind., May 6.—Mrs. Margaret
Uebelher of Dubois County, aged 78 years,
was burned to death to-day. She was assisting her husband in burning brush near
her home. She was one of the oldest women in Dubois County. MRS. CHARLES E. WOODBURY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. St. Joseph, Mo., May 6.-Mrs. Woodbury, wife of Charles E. Woodbury of the Johnson-Woodbury Hat Company, died at noor to-day of heart disease. She was 34 years old and came here from Trenton.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Pilot Grove, Mo., May 6.—Mrs. Morris Lavenner, wife of a well-to-do farmer, liv-ing five miles southwest of here, died last night. Robert, a son, 22 years old, was buried yesterday, and a daughter is now critically ill.

SOLOMON MILLER.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Pine Bluff, Ark., May 6.—Solomon Miller, aged about 55, died here at his home last night. Surviving relatives are his wife, two sons, Moses and Issac, and daughter, which there is a surviving the su Miss Hertha.

JAMES M. WHITE. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Pine Bluff, Ark., May 6.—James M. White, aged 55, died at his home near Linwood in this county last night. He was a pioneer settler of South Arkansas, and had resided for half a century in Jefferson County. MISS EDNA WIDMAYER. MISS EDNA WIDMAYER.

BEPUBLIC SPECIAL

Virginia. III. May 6.—Miss Edna Widmayer, the 20-year-old daughter of Robert
Widmayer of this city, died suddenly last
night at Bloomington, where she had gone
to visit relatives. The body was brought
home to-day for burial.

J. M. Cooter. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Holden, Mo. May 6.—J. M. Cooter died at his home in this city this morning, aged about 68 years. He was born in Tennessee and came to Lewis County, Missouri, when a small boy. He came to Holden about thirty years age.

Arthur Post Office Safe Blown.

Arcola, Ill., May 6.—The Arthur Post Office was robbed of \$500 by safe blowers last night. The robbers also took several books of blank money orders.